

DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JESSIE L. MEDLIN, PRESIDENT, PRESIDING

January 4, 2000
2000 Term

A. CALL TO ORDER

WHEREAS, this Board of Supervisors does now find and adjudicate that Jessie L. Medlin, Eugene C. Thach, Gerald Clifton, John M. M. Caldwell, Sr., and Tommy Lewis, the duly elected members of this Board, have each given bond and taken the oath of office as required by law.

The January 4, 2000 meeting of the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors was called to order by Supervisor Jessie Medlin of DeSoto County. Supervisor Medlin welcomed Supervisor Gerald Clifton as the new Supervisor of District 3 to the Board of Supervisors.

The following were present:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----District 1
Supervisor Eugene C. Thach-----District 2
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----District 3
Supervisor John Caldwell-----District 4
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-----District 5
W. E. ASluggo@ Davis-----Chancery Clerk
David Armstrong-----County Administrator
James Albert Riley-----DeSoto County Sheriff
William Austin-----Board Attorney

2. ORGANIZATION OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1. Board President

In accordance with Section 19-3-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made a motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to nominate Eugene C. Thach as President of the Board for a one year period. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

2. Board Vice-President

In accordance with Section 19-3-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made a motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to nominate John Caldwell as Vice President of the Board for a one year period. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

3. OLD BUSINESS

1. Roads - Request to Take in a Road North of Goodman Road

Supervisor Eugene Thach made a motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to take in a road north of Goodman Road with County maintenance contingent on the property owners donating the right of ways and to direct Road Manager Kenny Gunn to recommend a way of connecting the road and a road parallel and to instruct the County Engineer to obtain legal descriptions to be used in the right of way

deeds and to instruct the Board Attorney to prepare the right of way deeds. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin said that the road will be named at a later date.

4. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of Bonds of Newly Elected and Appointed Officials

Chancery Clerk Sluggo Davis said that he had reviewed the bonds of the newly elected and appointed officials and has signed the bonds of the Board of Supervisors, and reported that all of the bonds are in order. At the recommendation of Chancery Clerk Sluggo Davis, Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve the bonds of the newly elected and appointed officials and to authorize the Board President to sign the bonds. The **motion passed** by unanimous vote.

2. Employment or Re-employment of Certain Officials

3. Appointments

The Board of Supervisors discussed the appointments and employment of certain officials. Supervisor Gerald Clifton asked the Board to hold the following appointments in District 3 so that he can have time to review them and make a recommendation to the Board for their replacements:

Board of Adjustments - Vivian Berryhill
Walls Fire Protection District - Lee Wood
License Commission - Terry Gross
Park Commission - Fred Foshee
Planning Commission - Susan Whitten and Child Rice
Walls Sewer District - Donzella Rice

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked the Board to hold the appointment for Leonard Lindsay for the District 2 appointment to the Planning Commission.

Supervisor John Caldwell informed the Board that he wanted to reappoint all of the appointments for District 4 for 30 days so that he can meet with them to see if they want to be reappointed.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the employment and appointments as follows with the exception of the District 2 appointment for Planning Commission of Leonard Lindsay, the District 3 appointments for the Board of Adjustments appointment of Vivian Berryhill, Walls Fire Protection District appointment of Lee Wood, License Commission appointment of Terry Gross, Park Commission appointment of Fred Foshee, Planning Commission appointments of Susan Whitten and Child Rice, and the Walls Sewer District of Donzella Rice and to approve the appointments for District 4 for a period of 30 days:

APPOINTMENTS				
OF THE				
DESOTO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS				
DUE JANUARY, 2000				
EMPLOYMENT APPOINTMENTS	TERM EXPIRES	CURRENT APPOINTEE	BOND EXPIRES	MS CODE
Board Attorney	Yearly	William H. Austin, Jr.	No Bond	19-3-47
Civil Defense Director		T.H. Walker		33-15-17
Comptroller		Joyce Riales		19-3-61
Cooperative Extension Service				19-5-63
Extension Home				
Economist		Arthur D. Smith		
County Coordinator		Arthur D. Smith		
County Agent		Arthur D. Smith		
4-H Agent		Janet Jolley		
County Administrator		David Armstrong		19-4-1
County Engineer		Daniel L. Murphy		65-17-201
County Road Manager		Kenneth Gunn		65-17-1
EEOC Officer		Ann Richmond		
EMS Director		Bobby Storey		
Fire Service Coordinator		Bobby Storey		19-3-71
Arson Investigator		Mike Hancock		83-1-39
Inventory Clerk		Bonnie Gatlin		31-7-107
Asst. Inventory Clerk		Mitzi Fuller		31-7-107
Justice Court Clerk		Linda Aldridge		9-11-27
Deputy Clerk		Lisa Gheorghia		9-11-27
Deputy Clerk		Bertha Kimble		9-11-27
Deputy Clerk		Anessia Shearon		9-11-27
Deputy Clerk		Susan Ford		9-11-27
Deputy Clerk		Barbara Porter		9-11-27
Deputy Clerk		Deborah Rutherford		9-11-27
Deputy Clerk		Donna Feezor		9-11-27
Deputy Clerk		Loretta Smith		9-11-27
Memphis Area of Govt. Rep.		Jessie L. Medlin		
Mental Health Representative		James Sims		
Purchase Clerk		Jeannine Ruby		31-7-101
Asst. Purchase Clerk		Pat Stewart		31-7-101
Receiving Clerk		Ann Richmond		31-7-101
Asst. Receiving Clerk		Gail Bernard		31-7-101
Asst. Receiving Clerk		Myra Wells		31-7-101
Asst. Receiving Clerk		Bertha Kimble		31-7-101
DHS		Joyce Skillern		31-7-101
Child Support		Joyce Skillern		31-7-101
Sheriff's Department		Belinda Dean		31-7-101
Courthouse		Carol Hurt		31-7-101
Courthouse		Brigette Herring		31-7-101
Courthouse		Julie McMath		31-7-101
EMS		Amy House		31-7-101
EMS		DeAnna Moore		31-7-101
Safety Officer		Jim Bearden		
Veterans Service Officer		N.C. Ferguson		35-3-21

APPOINTMENTS - BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS						
APPOINTMENT	DISTRICT	CURRENT TERM	NEW TERM	CURRENT APPOINTEE	BOND	
		EXPIRES	EXPIRES		EXPIRES	
Board of Adjustments	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Wayne D. Hollowell		
	2	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Carlton Gatlin		
	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Vivian Berryhill		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Ruthie House		
	5	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Wayne Anderson		
Lewisburg Fire Prot. District		Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 3, 2005	Luther Gross		
Summershill Fire District		Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 3, 2005	Carlton Barnes		
Walls Fire Protection Dist.		Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 3, 2005	Lee Wood		
Eudora Fire Prot. District		Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 3, 2005	Paul L. Riley		
DeSoto County Library Bd.	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 6, 2003	Lyndall Snyder		
	3	Dec. 31, 1999	Jan. 3, 2005	Annie Ruth Brown		
City of Horn Lake Library Bd.	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Amy Austin		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Mary Deaton		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Connie Sparks		
City of Olive Branch Lib. Bd.	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Lelia Payne		
	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Betty Collins		
	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Gail Hanna		
City of Southaven Library Bd.	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Peggy Hall		
	2	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Donna Bouchillon		
	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Betty Moore		
License Commission	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Ed Paseur		
	2	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Dale Watson		
	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Terry Gross		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	John Harpole		
	5	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	David R. Johnson		
Massage Parlor Commission	1	Dec. 31, 1999	Jan. 2, 2001	William Bowen		
	2	Dec. 31, 1999	Jan. 2, 2001	Vaudie Emerson		
	3	Dec. 31, 1999	Jan. 2, 2001	Vacant		
	4	Dec. 31, 1999	Jan. 2, 2001	Lloyd Delaney		
	5	Dec. 31, 1999	Jan. 2, 2001	Ed Spencer		
	Clerk	Dec. 31, 1999	Jan. 2, 2001	Dale Thompson		
Park Commission	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Bill Welch		
	2	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Mike Mullins		
	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Fred Foshee		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Don Carnell		
	5	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Bowdre Emerson		
Planning Commission	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Len Lawhon		
	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Julius Cowan, Jr.		
	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Shirley James		
	2	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Charles W. McNemar		
	2	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Leonard Lindsey		
	2	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Edward Williams		
	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Susan Whitten		
	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Pat Koehler		
	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Child Rice		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	James Mayfield		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	C.G. Richardson		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Claudia Niebanck		
	5	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Jimmy L. Maxwell		
Planning Commission	5	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Mike Robinson		
	5	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Paul Whitfield, Jr.		

	Attorney	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	William H. Austin		
Walls Sewer District		Jan. 1,2 000	Jan. 3, 2005	Donzella Rice		
Handicap Compliance Grev.	1	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Trudy Haven		
	2	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Sara Watkins		
	3	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Marvin Graves		
	4	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Mike Riley		
	5	Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Barbara Chamberlin		
MS Area of Govt Rep.		Jan. 3, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Jessie L. Medlin		
Mid-State Opportunity Board						
of Directors		Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Jessie L. Medlin		
North Delta Plng. & Dev Dist.	Bd of Sup	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Eugene Thach		
	Min. Rep.	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Charlie Reese		
	City of OB	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Mayor Sam Rikard		
	At Large Rep.	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Lorine Cady		
DeSoto Co. Tax Advisory Co.	BOS Rep	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Harold Nichols		
	Tax Collector	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Joey Treadway		
	Tax Assessor	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Parker Pickle		
	Chan. Clerk	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	W.E. Davis		
	County Admin	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	David Armstrong		
	DeSoto Council					
	Past Chairman			Chris Creely		
	DeSoto Council					
	Chairman	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Murray Scott		
	DeSoto Council					
	Vice-Chairman	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	Harvey Ferguson		
	Board Attorney	Jan. 4, 2000	Jan. 2, 2001	William H. Austin, Jr.		

The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach-----YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----YES
Supervisor John Caldwell-----NO
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-----YES

****See Exhibit D.3****

4. Accepting Judicial Appointments of Certain Individuals - Part-Time Public Defenders

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that Circuit Court Judge Andrew Baker had appointed six individuals as part time public defenders in orders dated December 17, 1999. In accordance with Section 25-32-1 of the Mississippi Code, Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the judicial appointments for part time public defenders as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Office Expense</u>	<u>Court</u>
David Clay Vanderburg	\$21,525.12	\$3,600.00	Circuit
William Travis	\$21,525.00	\$3,600.00	Circuit
John Watson	\$21,525.12	\$3,600.00	Circuit
Jack R. Jones, III	\$21,655.12	\$3,600.00	Circuit
James Franks	\$11,655.12	\$3,600.00	Justice and Youth
Joseph Carney	\$11,655.12	\$3,600.00	Justice and Youth

The **motion passed** by unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.4****

5. Approval to Renew or Rebid Certain Contracts

a. Collection - Renew (Expires 12/31/99)

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to renew the contract with Franklin Collection Service, Inc. for the period of January 1, 2000 through January 2, 2001 according to the terms set out in the contract. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.5.a****

b. Pest Control - Cancel and Rebid

County Administrator David Armstrong notified the Board of Supervisors that Jim Bearden, Director of Operations and Maintenance, recommended that the County=s contact with Redd Pest Control be canceled and rebid because Redd Pest Control has done an inadequate job in keeping the terms of the contract. Mr. Armstrong said that the contract can be canceled with a thirty day written notice. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to cancel the current contract with Redd Pest Control and rebid the contract for pest control for the County. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.5.b****

c. Lawn Service - Renew (Expires 03/31/00)

County Administrator David Armstrong notified the Board of Supervisors that Jim Bearden, Director of Operations and Maintenance, recommends that the contract for lawn service with Oxner=s Professional Landscaping that will expire on March 31, 2000 be renewed. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to renew the lawn service contract with Oxner=s Professional Landscaping for the period of April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2001. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.5.c****

d. Dr. Meacham - Contract for Prisoner Medical Services

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that Dr. Robert Meacham is requesting a 5% cost of living raise in his new contract for prisoner medical services. Supervisor John Caldwell asked if Dr. Meacham will accept the contract without the 5% increase. Mr. Armstrong said that he was not sure. Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked Sheriff James A. Riley if Dr. Meacham had been doing a good job. Sheriff Riley said that he is very satisfied with Dr. Meacham=s work. The Board of Supervisors held this issue until January 5, 2000 to allow Mr. Armstrong to discuss the request for a 5% raise with Dr. Meacham. ****See Exhibit D.5.d****

e. Tire Disposal - Renew

County Administrator David Armstrong notified the Board of Supervisors that Jim Bearden, Director of Operations and Maintenance, recommends that the contract for tire disposal with Tire Disposal Systems be renewed. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to renew the contract for tire disposal with Tire Disposal Systems for the period of January 1, 2000 through January 2, 2001. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.5.e****

f. Grassland Irrigation - Renew

County Administrator David Armstrong notified the Board of Supervisors that Jim Bearden, Director of Operations and Maintenance, recommends that the contract with Grassland Irrigation be renewed. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to renew the contract with Grassland Irrigation through October 31, 2000. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.5.f****

6. Consideration and Ratification and/or Renewal of Contracts, Lease Agreements, and Interlocal Agreements

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that, as the new term of

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supervisors, they need to ratify the current contracts, lease agreements, and interlocals. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to hold the lease agreements for Tiara Corporation and 301 Sports Association and to ratify the following lease agreements:

Allied Enterprises B Lease agreement between DC BOS and State of MS Department of Human Services for purpose of providing facilities for Allied Enterprises 5-9-90 (for 20 years)

Lease Between DC BOS and US Department of AG, AG Stabilization and Conservation Service for the purpose of providing facilities of DC Ag Stabilization and Conservation Service beginning 2-1-92 through 9-30-96 with one 5 year option to renew

Department of Human Services B Lease agreement between DC BOS and DC Public Improvement Corporation for lease of building located at 425 East Commerce in Hernando, MS on behalf of and for the use of the DC Department of Human Services commencing on 2-22-93 and ending at midnight on 2-13-2013

Hill Brothers B Walls Satellite Lease

Magdovitz lease for Metro Office - Order approving lease agreement between DC and Lawrence Magdovitz of Clarksdale, MS dated 1-8-96 and authorizing the Board President to execute the agreement on behalf of the BOS

The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.6****

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to ratify the following contracts:

ACCOUNTING

Ikon-Copier Rental	12-11-00
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COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

Beeper Plus	3-15-00
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Ikon	6-30-02
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ANIMAL CONTROL

Bell South Mobility	12-9-00
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Alco Services/Harold Moore	90 days after move to Admin Bldg
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Allen & Hoshall-Bd of Ed	Job Specific
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Allen & Hoshall County Jail	Job Specific
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BellSouth for Essex	12-31-03
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Bell South-Mills	9-6-01
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Bell South-all	3-3-01
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BFI-Collection	12-31-05
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Disposal	7-1-01
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Civic Center	1-1-01
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DeSoto Sunrise	8-31-03
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Fisher & Arnold Park Study	Job Specific
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Food Stamp Training	Open
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Mid-State Opportunity	Open
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Miss Beaver Control	6-30-00
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Municipal Code	Job Specific
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Panola	Job Specific
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Waggoner EPA	Job Specific
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Waggoner Engineering Sewer Study	Job Specific
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BOS B ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Barefield & Company
Business Interiors
Herman Miller
Memphis Business Interiors
Mills Morris
OfficeScapes
Systems Furniture
Terry=s Installation

CENTRAL MAINTENANCE

Askew Hargraves Harcourt & Ass.	3-15-99 (date approved-road improvements for County)
Bell South	10-25-01
Crystal Clean	4-17-00
1 st Continental-Dozers	11-25-01 Last Payment Due
1 st Continental-Backhoe	7-10-03 Last Payment Due
Boom & Lube truck	7-10-03 A
Dump truck	7-10-03 A
Motor Grader	7-10-03 A
Road Widener	7-10-03 A
Ford Motor Credit-Dumptrucks	1-10-02 Last Payment Due
Ford Ext Warranty-mtnc contract	2-26-03 or 75,000 miles
Grt South Leasing-4 Wheel Dr	7-10-03 Last Payment Due
Truck	7-10-02 Last Payment Due
Ikon	6-30-02
NCRS	Job Specific
Paramount	5-17-01
Simplex	3-31-00
Trustmark-Chip spreader	8-10-03 Last Payment Due
Roller	10-1-03 Last Payment Due

CHANCERY

Xerox	10-30-00 & 1-27-00
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CIRCUIT

Ikon	8-22-00
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CIVIL DEFENSE

Nesbit Fire Dept	10-31-00
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COUNTY ENGINEER

State Aid Contract	OPEN
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DATA PROCESSING

Artaban Solutions, Inc.	Job Specific
Dynamix AS 400 Upgrade	3-31-03
Dynamix Existing Equip	5-4-03
IBM	Job Specific
Trustmark	10-1-03

ECONO ASST

Xerox	1-31-00
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E911

Johnson Bailey Henderson McNeil	6-8-98 Estimated Completion date of 8-1-99
Motorola	5-1-01 approximately

EMS

A-1 Fire Prot-Fire Extinguishers	8-27-99 (date approved)
Bell South Mobility	10-22-01 switched to Analog Service for Bobby and Mike Hancock
	4-02-99 Eudora
	3-25-01 Upgrade for Paul Leblanc
Beepers Plus	8-1-00 Eudora EMS
	8-4-00 Lewisburg
BFI-Medical Waste	6-18-99 date of Agreement
Elam, Stan	12-31-99 1-4 agenda
1 st Continental-7 Ambulances	7-10-03 Last Payment Due
Franklin Collection	12-31-99 1-4 agenda
Fuelman	3-14-00
Ikon	8-25-99 (date approved)
Language Line	10-4-99 (date approved)
NWCC	9-30-00 (term of 1 year commencing on 10-1-99)
Sweet Computer	4-17-00

EXTENSION SERVICE

Bell South Mobility-upgrade	3-25-01
MCES	Indefinite
NCRS	Job Specific
Xerox	9-15-01

JUSTICE COURT

Franklin	12-31-99
Sharp	6-10-02

METRO NARCOTICS

Alco Services	6-00
Sharpe	10-00

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

A-1 fire Protection	4-30-01
Ascom	6-2-00 Renews Yearly
ASCS	10-1-01
Coahoma Electric	4-20-01
Grassland Irrigation	12-99
N MS Pest Control	5-31-00
Oxner Prof Landscaping	3-31-00
Pure Air Filter	3-31-00
Redd Pest Control	11-30-03
Tire Disposal	12-31-99

PLANNING

IKON	5-29-02
MDOT	11-15-04
Univ of Memphis	

PERSONNEL

MEA Drug Testing	1-31-00 (Evergreen)
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PURCHASING

Copyplus	6-1-01
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SHERIFF

Allen & Hoshall-Jail Renovation	Job Specific
Bell South-Pay Phones	10-22-00
Delta Uniforms	5-17-01
First Continental Leasing-radios	3-99 Last Payment Due

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Meacham	12-31-99
Panola Const-Jail Renovation	8-17-99 (Completion Date)
Sharp	11-20-00

TAX ASSESSOR

Bill Bryant	9-30-00
IKON	9-25-01
Waggoner Eng-Aerial Photos	Job Specific

YOUTH SERVICES

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Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to ratify the following interlocal agreements:

1. Barton/DeSoto Road/Marshall B order dated 8-5-96
2. Church Rd Intersection at Airways between DC BOS & City of SouthavenB Interlocal dated 11-6-95
3. Interlocal with DeSoto County Recreational District cities of Hernando, Horn Lake, Olive Branch, and Southaven for Civic Center 5-3-95
4. Order approving FY Comprehensive Cooperative Agreement between DC & MS Management Agency 10-9-95
5. Order approving lease between DeSoto County Public Improvement Corporation and DeSoto County on behalf of and for the use of the DeSoto County Department of Human Services 2-22-93
6. Agreement between DeSoto County and DeSoto Sunrise for emergency placement of abused and neglected children and status offenders 10-6-94
 - A. Order approving agreement between DeSoto County and DeSoto Sunrise in connection with provision of emergency placement of abused and neglected children and status offenders in DeSoto County 10-12-94
 - B. Minutes of 8-25-97 extending contract between DeSoto County and DeSoto Sunrise home until September 30, 1998
7. E-911 Nondisclosure Agreement B effective date 11-8-94
8. Interlocal between DeSoto County E911 Commission, DeSoto County BOS and City of Hernando 5-6-96
9. Interlocal between DeSoto County E911 Commission, DeSoto County BOS and City of Horn Lake 7-5-95
10. Interlocal between DeSoto County BOS, DeSoto County Board of Education and City of Horn Lake Amended Interlocal between DeSoto County Board of Supervisors & DC School Board (original dated 8-2-93)
11. Interlocal between DC E911 Comm, DC BOS and City of OB 12-5-95
12. Interlocal between DC E911 Commission, DC BOS and City of Southaven 2-24-97
13. Interlocal between City of Hernando and DeSoto County for recreational improvements 3-8-99
 - Resolution for support of Hernando Civic Center 2-16-99
 - Order approving lease agreement between DC BOS and Hernando Civic Center Assoc 3-11-98

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14. Horn Lake Ambulance Service

Interlocal between DC BOS and City of HL for a new ambulance for HL Ambulance Service 4-10-95

15. Interlocal with HL for construction, maintenance and improvement of HL Parks
Between City and DC BOS 6-5-95

16. HL Creek Drainage District agreement between DC and HLCDD B Agreement dated 5-5-92

17. Library Shaven, HL and OB

- A. Interlocal Agmt Between DC BOS and City of SH to provide Library Services in City of Shaven 3-3-93
- B. Interlocal Agmt between DC BOS and City of HL to provide Library Services in City of HL 3-3-93
- C. Interlocal Agmt between DC BOS and City of OB to provide Library Services in City of OB 3-3-93
- D. Interlocal Agmt between DC BOS and City of OB for purposes of loaning property for parking area to accommodate the adjacent library 8-18-93

18. Marshall/DeSoto Road Repair

Interlocal Agmt between DC BOS and Marshall County BOS for Road Repair (Barton-DeSoto Road) Dated 8-5-96

19. Interlocal Agreements/Metro

Interlocal Agreement Establishing Metro Narcotics Unit 6-2-99 (most recent in file)

20. Mineral Wells B Volunteer Fire Dept B Interlocal between DC BOS and City of OB for a 99 year lease to city of OB of property known as the Mineral Wells Volunteer Fire Department 6-17-91

21. OB Ambulance Service

Interlocal between DC BOS and City of OB for a new ambulance for OB ambulance Service 10-5-92

Interlocal between DC and OB for Road Work (Stateline Road) 2-18-97

22. Interlocals/OB and DC (Parks)

Interlocal Agmt between DC and City of OB for paving of parking in OB City Park and at the City=s Public Works Bldg and for future projects 11-16-99

23. OB Public Library

Interlocal Agmt between DC and the City of OB
to provide library services in the city of OB 1-4-93

Interlocal between BOS and City of OB regarding Loan of Property for addition to OB Library 6-15-93

24. Regional Library System B Regional Library Contract for Operation of Regional Library
System B dated 1969 until 60 day notice of withdrawal

25. Sheriff=s Dept-SH, HL, OB, HDO B Interlocal Agmt between the DC BOS and DC Sheriff=s Dept and
Cities of SH, HL, OB and HDO 2-20-90

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26. Interlocal with Southaven (Airways Road) 10-9-96

27. Southaven Amb Service and Amb Purchase (2)

Interlocal Agmt made by DC BOS and Cities of Hdo, HL, OB and SH 5-3-93

28. Southaven Ambulance

Interlocal between DC BOS and City of Shaven for Public Amb Service 8-31-92

29. Interlocal with City of Shaven

Public Ambulance Service Interlocal Agmt with the City of Shaven and DC 9-15-92

30. Interlocal B SH Animal Shelter 2-5-91

City of Shaven and DC BOS

31. Interlocal with City of Shaven and DC B City Parks

Interlocal between SH and BOS of DC, MS for joint recreation activities 11-20-91

32. Interlocal With City of Shaven re: Swinnea Road 8-17-95

33. Interlocal Agmt B Tax Collector

Interlocal Government Agmt between DC BOS and City of HL providing for the collection of City Taxes by DC 10-19-90

34. Volunteer Fire Dept B Interlocal between DC BOS and Municipalities of Hdo, HL, OB and SH for tax collections. In effect for an initial term of 1 year beginning 10/1/90 and thereafter shall automatically be renewed on an annual basis

35. Interlocal between OB and DC-Williams Sonoma 11-16-98

The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.6****

7. Kenny Gunn - Road Report and Work Schedule

Kenny Gunn presented the Road Report and Work Schedule to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to accept the Road Report for December 1999 and the Work Schedule for January 2000, pursuant to Section 65-17-7 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, annotated. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.7.****

8. Bailiff Pay

Pursuant to Section 25-7-27, Section 1, paragraph (e) which allows for Constables working as Bailiffs to be paid as provided under Section 25-3-69, of Mississippi Code of 1973, Annotated, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to pay Tommy Carr the amount of \$ 280.00 for the month of December, 1999, and to pay Jerry Easley the amount of \$ 320.00 for the month of December, 1999. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.8****

9. Justice Court Report

Linda Aldridge presented the Justice Court Report for the month of December, 1999 to the Board of

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Supervisors. Ms. Aldridge told the Board that a breakdown by departments of the number of tickets written is included in the report. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the Justice Court Report for the month of December, 1999. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.9****

10. Publication of Board Proceedings

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the publication of Board Proceedings in connection with Section 19-3-33 of the Mississippi Code, which states that the Board of Supervisors may have its proceedings published in some newspaper in the county, and cause the same to be paid for out of the county treasury. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

11. Approval of Travel

In accordance with Section 25-3-41 Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, any official or employee of DeSoto County, Mississippi, is hereby authorized to travel during the period of January 4, 2000 to February 7, 2000, as necessary and incur travel expenses in the performance of their official duties for DeSoto County. That all such travel is hereby authorized contingent on funds being available in the departmental budget of the individual traveling. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to authorize travel for all officials and employees of DeSoto County for the period of January 4, 2000 to February 7, 2000 to include travel for Supervisors within the County and to the Mid-Winter Conference in Jackson, MS. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.11****

12. Sheriff=s Employee Report

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to accept the Sheriff=s Department Employee Report for the period of November 4, 1999 through December 30, 1999 into the minutes. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.12****

13. Chancery Court Allowances

Allowances for the Chancery Court Clerk were presented to the Board of Supervisors for the December 1999, term in the amount of \$ 2,066.66. Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the Chancery Clerk Allowances pursuant to Section 25-7-9 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, Annotated. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.13.****

14. Public Hearing on DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority

The Board President, Supervisor Eugene Thach, called for a public hearing on the subject of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority as approved by this Board of Supervisors on December 8, 1999. No person came forward to address the Board. Supervisor Thach closed the floor for public comments and recommended the Board to proceed with the next phase of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority.

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked what the next phase of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority is. Board Attorney Bill Austin said the next phase is to file for another public notice in Chancery Court and to then adopt a resolution for the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority in the best interest of the public. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made a motion and

Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to close the comments section and to proceed with the next phase of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority and to hire the Austin Law Firm to move the process into the next phase through Chancery Court. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to adopt the resolution that is in the best interest of the people to proceed with the Wastewater Program by proceeding with the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

15. Lease Agreement with Stan Elam

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that the funds for the lease agreement with Stan Elam are in the budget and that EMS Director Bobby Storey recommends that the lease agreement with Stan Elam for the EMS repeater tower be continued. At the recommendation of EMS Director Bobby Storey, Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to renew a lease with Mr. Stan Elam for the EMS repeater tower for the period of January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000 and authorized the Clerk to write the check for \$1,200.00 for the yearly lease amount. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.15****

16. Quarterly Appropriations - Sheriff=s Department, Tax Collector, Tax Assessor

a. Sheriff=s Department

In accordance with Section 27-1-32 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, the Board of Supervisors shall, at its first meeting of each quarter beginning on October 1, January 1, April 1, and July 1, appropriate a lump sum for the office of the sheriff for the expenses of his office during the current quarter, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the quarterly allocations for the Sheriff in the amount of \$1,408,639.00 as recommended by the Comptroller. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

b. Tax Collector

In accordance with Section 27-1-32 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, the Board of Supervisors shall, at its first meeting of each quarter beginning on October 1, January 1, April 1, and July 1, appropriate a lump sum for the office of tax collector for the expenses of his office during the current quarter, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the quarterly allocations for the Tax Collector in the amount of \$174,933.00 as recommended by the Comptroller. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

c. Tax Assessor

In accordance with Section 27-1-32 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, the Board of Supervisors shall, at its first meeting of each quarter beginning on October 1, January 1, April 1, and July 1, appropriate a lump sum for the office of tax assessor for the expenses of his office during the current quarter, Supervisor Jessie Medlin made the motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve the quarterly allocations for the Tax Assessor in the amount of \$205,753.00 as recommended by the Comptroller. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.16****

17. EMS - Mutual Aid to Marshall County

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a letter to the Board of Supervisors from EMS Director Bobby Storey requesting that all mutual aid to Marshall County be severed except in situations of mass casualty. Mr. Armstrong said that the Board had already given Mr. Storey the authority to determine when and if the mutual aid would be severed. Board Attorney Bill Austin said no further action was needed from the Board on this issue. ****See Exhibit D.17****

18. Approval of Lost Costs for Constables

In accordance with the provisions set forth in Section 25-7-27 of the Mississippi Code, which states for constables serving all warrants and other process, attending all trials in state cases in which the state fails in the prosecution, to be paid out of the county treasury on the allowance of the Board of Supervisors without itemization, subject, however, to the condition that the marshal or constable must not have overcharged in the collection of fees for cost, contrary to the provisions of this section, annually not to exceed \$ 1,000.00, Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the lost costs for the constables at \$1,000.00 per constable for service in 1999. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.18****

19. Proposed Jail Expansion

County Administrator David Armstrong said that he and Jim Bearden, at the direction of the Board of Supervisors, had compiled a list of possible architects for the expansion of the DeSoto County Jail. Mr. Armstrong requested that the Board appoint two Supervisors to serve on a committee with Jim Bearden, Director of Operations and Maintenance, Sheriff James A. Riley, and him to choose an architect for the jail expansion. Supervisor Gerald Clifton made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to appoint Supervisor Gerald Clifton and Supervisor John Caldwell to serve on the committee to choose an architect for the proposed expansion to the DeSoto County Jail. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach-----YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----YES
Supervisor John Caldwell-----YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-----ABSENT

20. Disposal of Property - Tax Collector

County Administrator David Armstrong presented an inventory disposal request from the Tax Collector to dispose of Property Number 00112, Serial Number 41646702 and Property Number 00127, Serial Number 44121499. Supervisor Gerald Clifton made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve the disposal of Property Number 00112, Serial Number 41646702 and Property Number 00127, Serial Number 44121499. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach-----YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----YES
Supervisor John Caldwell-----YES
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-----ABSENT

****See Exhibit D.20****

21. MIS - Approval of Maintenance Agreement with Dynamix for Small AS400

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a Maintenance Agreement with Dynamix for MIS for approval. Mr. Armstrong said that the maintenance agreement was for the small AS400 that is the backup for the Courthouse computer system. Mr. Armstrong said that the funds are in the MIS budget for the agreement. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made a motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to approve the maintenance agreement for MIS for the small AS400 with Dynamix beginning February 18, 2000 and ending February 17, 2001 and authorized the Clerk to write the check. The **motion passed** by a vote as follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach-----YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----YES
Supervisor John Caldwell-----ABSENT
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-----YES

****See Exhibit D.21****

22. Approval of Contract with BellSouth Mobility for Civil Defense

County Administrator David Armstrong informed the Board of Supervisors that T. H. Walker, Director of Civil Defense, has been using his private phone to make cellular calls for Civil Defense matters. Mr. Armstrong said that Mr. Walker is requesting approval to purchase another cellular phone at a cost of \$129.99 and to get a new service plan for \$49.95 a month that includes free nationwide long distance calls with 250 minutes in the package. Vanessa Lynchard said that the cellular phones that are approved by the county does not provide the free nationwide long distance plan. Mr. Armstrong said that he recommends that the Board approve this request. Supervisor Gerald Clifton made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to approve the contract with BellSouth Mobility for Civil Defense for a Nokia 5160 cellular phone at a cost of \$129.99 with the All in One service plan, which includes nationwide free long distance with 250 package minutes per month at a cost of \$49.95. The **motion passed** by a vote as

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follows:

Supervisor Jessie Medlin-----YES
Supervisor Eugene Thach-----YES
Supervisor Gerald Clifton-----YES
Supervisor John Caldwell-----ABSENT
Supervisor Tommy Lewis-----YES

****See Exhibit D.22****

23. Request from Hernando Civic Center for Assistance in Building a Driveway

Supervisor Tommy Lewis informed the Board that he received a request from the Hernando Civic Center for assistance in building a driveway. The Board of Supervisors considered the various activities occurring on this site including T-ball, coach-pitch ball, baseball, softball, and various equestrian shows and competitions taking place at the location. The Board of Supervisors determined it necessary and in the best interest and necessary for the safety of the thousands of people participating in the various types of recreation at this location to attempt to control the traffic flow by constructing and improving the driveways at the Hernando Civic Center. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made a motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the

motion to authorize Road Manager Kenny Gunn to inspect the area in the request and to report back to the Board of Supervisors with an estimate of the cost to build the driveway at the Hernando Civic Center. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit D.23****

E. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The AExecutive Session@ portion of this meeting is presented under the portion of minutes called AExecutive Session.

F. OTHER ISSUES

1. Goodman Road

Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked Road Manager Kenny Gunn to set up a meeting with the Highway Department to meet on Goodman Road to see which sections of the road they are going to address and which they are not.

2. Intersection of Highway 301 and Highway 304

Supervisor John Caldwell asked Road Manager Kenny Gunn to get clarification regarding the intersection at Highway 301 and Highway 304 from MDOT because the comments from Jimmy Dickerson of MDOT to the County and the comments from the right of way agents and the constituents are not in agreement about the work to be done at the intersection.

3. College Road

Supervisor Eugene Thach asked Road Manager Kenny Gunn to see if the County and the developer of the new subdivision on College Road can work together to get one of the hills cut down on College Road near the entrance of the subdivision. Supervisor John Caldwell said he thought County Engineer Daniel Murphey was looking into that matter. Supervisor Thach said that he is concerned about the safety at the area.

4. Central Maintenance - Mid-America International

Road Manager Kenny Gunn presented a letter to the Board of Supervisors from Tommy Crosby of Mid-America International explaining that the damage to the axle on the county truck was not covered under the warranty because the axle capacity was exceeded and the driver continued to drive the vehicle after the axle had broken, which caused damage to other components on the vehicle. Supervisor Jessie Medlin asked if

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the warranty covered the axle the first two times it broke. Mr. Gunn said the warranty is not the issue because Mid-America International is saying that the damage was done after the axle broke. Supervisor Eugene Thach asked if the driver could hear when the axle broke. Mr. Gunn said that the drivers heard the axle break the first two times but he is not sure about this one. Mr. Gunn said the weight limit of the truck may have been exceeded. Supervisor Tommy Lewis said that more precaution should be taken with the weight loads. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to refer this issue to Board Attorney Bill Austin for a recommendation. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit F.4****

Supervisor Jessie Medlin said he is tired of buying new equipment and having the companies not stand by their warranties.

Supervisor Tommy Lewis commented on the approach other counties have taken of selling equipment after one year.

5. Four-Way Stop Sign at Riverbirch Road and Broken Hickory Drive

Road Manager Kenny Gunn presented a letter from Mr. Frederik Dohne, resident of 6395 Riverbirch Road in Walls, MS, requesting a four-way stop sign at Riverbirch Road and Broken Hickory Drive. Mr. Gunn asked if the Board wanted him to bring these requests before them. The Board instructed Mr. Gunn to bring the requests for stop signs to them for approval. Mr. Gunn said that there is no reason why there should not be a four-way stop sign at this location. At the recommendation of Road Manager Kenny Gunn, Supervisor Gerald Clifton made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to authorize the Road Manager to put a four-way stop sign at Riverbirch Road and Broken Hickory Drive. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit F.5****

6. Dean Road at Tulane Road

Supervisor John Caldwell asked if Road Manager Kenny Gunn had inspected the request for work at Dean Road at Tulane Road. Mr. Gunn said that he had not looked into it yet but will report back to the Board as soon as he does.

7. Stop Sign at Kentwood Subdivision

Supervisor John Caldwell informed Road Manager Kenny Gunn that the stop sign is missing at the entrance of Kentwood Subdivision coming out onto Tulane Road and that it needed to be replaced.

8. MAS Mid-Winter Conference

Road Manager Kenny Gunn asked for authorization to attend the MAS Mid-Winter Conference. The Board said he was on the agenda at the conference and should attend. Supervisor Eugene Thach said that County Engineer Daniel Murphey also needed to attend the conference. Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to authorize Comptroller Joyce Riales, County Engineer Daniel Murphey, Road Manager Kenny Gunn, and County Administrator David Armstrong to attend the MAS Mid-Winter Conference and to approve travel to the conference. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

9. Non-Process Material

Road Manager Kenny Gunn asked if non-process material like gravel has to be bid out. Board Attorney Bill Austin said that according to Section 31-7-13 (m)(iv) all raw, unprocessed materials are exempt from the bid process if you dig it and haul it yourself. Board Attorney Bill Austin said that he needed to go through the proper purchasing procedure. Mr. Gunn asked for authorization to negotiate with property owners to use dirt on their property to do requested work. The Board said the Road Manager has the authority to negotiate obtaining dirt or gravel without coming to the Board if it is justified. Supervisor Tommy Lewis said to document in the file what work the County is doing on private property. Board Attorney Bill Austin said if there is an agreement with a landowner to donate dirt or gravel, bring it before the Board to make the agreement a part of the minutes.

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10. Central Maintenance - Tractors

Road Manager Kenny Gunn said that Central Maintenance needed two tractors and requested authorization to bid up to \$10,000.00 on each tractor at an public auction to be held on January 15, 2000 in Hernando. In accordance with Section 31-7-13 (m)(v) of the Mississippi Code, which states motor vehicles or other equipment purchased from a federal or state agency or a governing authority at a public auction held for the purpose of disposing of such vehicles or other equipment, any purchase by a governing authority under the exemption authorized by this paragraph (v) shall require advance authorization spread upon the minutes of the governing authority to include the listing of the item or items authorized to be purchased and the maximum bid authorized to be paid for each item or items, Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to authorize Road Manager Kenny Gunn to bid up to \$10,000.00 each for two tractors at the public auction in Hernando on January 15, 2000. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

11. Request for Assistance - Hernando Civic Center

Supervisor Tommy Lewis informed the Board of Supervisors that he received a request from the Hernando Civic Center asking for a commitment of \$12,000.00 to help fund the upgrading of the facility. The Board of Supervisors noted the favorable opportunities, possibilities, and resources the Hernando Civic Center brings to DeSoto County. Because of the many citizens and visitors served through this volunteer effort the Board of Supervisors determined this an excellent means of advertising the resources of DeSoto County, and in accordance with Section 17-3-1 of the Mississippi Code, Supervisor Tommy Lewis made a motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to commit to donating \$12,000.00 to the Hernando Civic Center to help upgrade the facility and to authorize a budget amendment as follows:

Decrease	001-525-913	District 5 Park	\$12,000.00
Increase	001-675-522	Advertise County Resources	\$12,000.00

The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit F.11****

12. DeSoto County Parks - Countywide

Supervisor John Caldwell said that DeSoto County does not have enough parks to serve the needs of the public and said that the County needs to contribute more to parks for sports and other recreational needs of the public.

13. Sewer Study - Approval to Travel

Supervisor Tommy Lewis informed the Board of Supervisors that he had spoken to Joe Waggoner of Waggoner Engineering about the Sewer Program and Mr. Waggoner said that \$10 million had been authorized for the Sewer Study but not yet allocated. Supervisor Lewis said that Mr. Waggoner thought it would be in the best interest of the County to travel to Washington, D. C. the last week of January to meet with staff members about the Sewer Study. Supervisor Tommy Lewis said that he will be attending the meeting. Supervisor John Caldwell said that he may not be able to attend the Blue Ribbon Trip in February, and if not, he would also like to attend the meeting. Supervisor Tommy Lewis made a motion and Supervisor John Caldwell seconded the motion to approve travel for the Board of Supervisors, Joe Waggoner, and Carl Ray Furr to Washington, D.C. the last week of January 2000 to attend a meeting on the Sewer Study. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

14. Accounting Personnel

County Administrator David Armstrong presented a letter from Peggy Darnell resigning her position in the Accounting Department effective December 31, 1999. Supervisor Jessie Medlin made a motion and Supervisor Tommy Lewis seconded the motion to accept the resignation of Peggy Darnell and to make it a part of the minutes. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit F.14****

15. Reassessment Update

Supervisor John Caldwell said that the Board needed to know the progress on the reassessment in the Tax Assessor=s Office. County Administrator David Armstrong said that he has spoken with Tax Assessor Parker Pickle and he said that the reassessment is on track. Mr. Armstrong said that Mr. Pickle asked him to relay a message to the Board to let them know they are welcome to come see him regarding the reassessment update.

16. Request to Transfer Vehicles from Sheriff=s Department to Olive Branch Police Department and EMS

Sheriff James A. Riley informed the Board of Supervisors that EMS Director Bobby Storey requested that one of the old Sheriff=s Department cars be transferred to EMS and that Police Chief James Harris of the Olive Branch Police Department asked for three of the old cars. Sheriff Riley said that all of the vehicles have over 180,000 miles on them and would not bring very much money if auctioned. The Cities, however, who cover a smaller territory could use them for patrol within the municipality. Supervisor John Caldwell asked if vehicles can be transferred to cities legally. Board Attorney Bill Austin said that vehicles can be transferred to cities as outlined in Section 31-7-13 of the Mississippi Code. At the recommendation of Sheriff James A. Riley and in accordance with Section 31-7-13 of the Mississippi Code, which states purchases, sales, transfers, or trades are made by a private treaty agreement or through means of negotiation, from any federal agency or authority, another governing authority or state agency of the State of Mississippi, or any state agency of another state; it is the intent of this section to allow governmental entities to dispose of and/or purchase commodities from other governmental entities at a price that is agreed to by both parties, and this shall allow for purchases and/or sales at prices which may be determined to be below market value is in the best interest of the taxpayers of the State, and after determining that such a transfer is in the best interest of the residents of DeSoto County, Supervisor John Caldwell made a motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to transfer one 1996 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN# 2FALP71W8TX107491, from the Sheriff=s Department to EMS and two 1996 Ford Crown Victorias, VIN# 2FALP71W6TX107487 and VIN# 2FALP71W8TX107493, and one 1997 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN# 2FALP71W4VX111332, from the Sheriff=s Department to the Olive Branch Police Department at no charge based on the Board Attorney=s approval. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

17. Chancery Court Clerk Allowances

In accordance with Sections 25-3-19, 25-3-21, 25-7-9, 27-33-37, and 27-105-343 of the Mississippi Code, which allows the Board of Supervisors to approve allowances to be paid to the Chancery Court Clerk, Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Jessie Medlin seconded the motion to approve payment to the Chancery Clerk in the amounts and in the manner prescribed in the above sections of the Mississippi Code of 1972 for his elected term January 2000 - 2004. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote. ****See Exhibit F.17****

Supervisor John Caldwell made the motion and Supervisor Gerald Clifton seconded the motion to recess until January 5, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. The **motion passed** by a unanimous vote.

THIS the 4th day of January, 2000, these minutes have been read and approved by the DeSoto County Board of Supervisors.

Eugene C. Thach, President
DeSoto County Board of Supervisors